Fourteenth Loksabha

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Participants : Pal Shri Rupchand

Title : Problems being faced by people due to eviction caused by developmental works.

SHRI RUPCHAND PAL (HOOGHLY): As you know, Sir, as a result of various developmental works throughout the country, people by the road-side, sometimes dam-side and sometimes at the mining Placeds, are being evicted and they are thus losing their livelihood support. There are various types of rehabilitation and resettlement schemes but they are too inadequate. Sometimes, they are not even implemented[R23].

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The Supreme Court has come out with a directive that the development and the rehabilitation should go on simultaneously. This was a verdict in relation to the Sardar Sarovar Project which is also known as Narmada Valley Project. The hon. Prime Minister has also openly stated that we should have a national comprehensive rehabilitation and re-settlement policy and hon. Shrimati Sonia Gandhi has also reiterated the similar stand. The former Prime Minister, Shri V.P. Singh has also said that such a comprehensive rehabilitation policy is an urgent need of the day because of the happenings like the tribals were shot down at Kalinga and also in some other Placeds. A large number of people are being vacated. They are losing their livelihood and shelter.

So, I demand that the Government should come out with a comprehensive national rehabilitation and re-settlement policy as early as possible.

सभापति महोदय : संतोा गंगवार जी, आपने दो वियों के नोटिस दिये हैं। एक विाय पूरा राज्य से संबंधित है जबकि दूसरा विाय यहां से संबंधित है। आप दूसरा विाय उठायें तो अच्छा है क्योंकि पहले का कोई औचित्य नहीं है।